# GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
# HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE
# LOK SABHA

STARRED QUESTION NO:131
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INFANT MORTALITY RATE
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**Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:**

(a) whether the Government have reviewed the birth rate and infant mortality rate in the country;

(b) if so, the birth rate and infant mortality rate at present, State-wise;

(c) whether the Government have taken any concrete measures to bring down the infant mortality rate;

(d) if so, the details thereof; and

(e) the targets set by the Government in this regard, State-wise?

## Answer

MINISTER OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE (SHRI SHATRUGHAN SINHA)

(a)to(e): A statement is laid on the table of the Lok Sabha.

STATEMENT REFERRED TO IN REPLY TO LOK SABHA STARRED QUESTION NO. 131 FOR 27.11.2002
As per the Sample Registration System (SRS) 2000, the Crude Birth Rate (CBR) is 25.8 per thousand population and Infant Mortalit Rate (IMR) is 68 per thousand live births in the country. State-wise CBR and IMR is annexed.

The Government of India, Department of Family Welfare has already initiated various steps to bring down the Infant Mortality. The most recent initiative is Reproductive and Child Health (RCH) Programme launchedin 1997 in all States/UTs. Under this Programme, immunization against six vaccine preventable diseases, facilities for appropriate management of acute respiratory infections, Oral Rehydration Therapy (ORT) formanagement of diarrhoeal diseases and essential newborn care services are provided. Promotion of exclusive breastfeeding and appropriate complementary feeding practices, and prophylaxis against Vitamin -A and iron deficiencies are also provided to improve the nutritional status of children. It includes all the components of child survival and safe motherhood.

The target for IMR by the end of Tenth Plan (2007) is 45 per thousand live births.

ANNEXURE

CRUDE BIRTH RATE (CBR) &INFANT MORTALITY RATE (IMR) AS PER SAMPLE REGISTRATION SYSTEM 2000

| Sl. No. | States/Union Territories | CBR | IMR |
|---|---|---|---|
| 1 | Andhra Pradesh | 21.3 | 65 |
| 2 | Assam | 26.9 | 75 |
| 3 | Bihar | 31.9 | 62 |
| 4 | Gujarat | 25.2 | 62 |
| 5 | Haryana | 26.9 | 67 |
| 6 | Karnataka | 22.0 | 57 |
| 7 | Kerala | 17.9 | 14 |
| 8 | Madhya Pradesh. | 31.4 | 87 |
| 9 | Maharashtra | 21.0 | 48 |
| 10 | Orissa | 24.3 | 95 |
| 11 | Punjab | 21.6 | 52 |
| 12 | Rajasthan | 31.4 | 79 |
| 13 | Tamil Nadu | 19.3 | 51 |
| 14 | Uttar Pr. | 32.8 | 83 |
| 15 | W. Bengal | 20.7 | 51 |
| 16 | Arunachal Pradesh. | 22.3 | 44 |
| 17 | Chhatisgarh | 26.7 | 79 |
| 18 | Delhi | 20.3 | 32 |

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| 19 | Goa | 14.3 | 23 |
| 20 | Himachal Pradesh. | 22.1 | 60 |
| 21 | J & K | 19.7 | 50 |
| 22 | Jharkhand | 26.5 | 70 |
| 23 | Manipur | 18.3 | 23 |
| 24 | Meghalaya | 28.5 | 58 |
| 25 | Mizoram | 16.0 | 21 |
| 26 | Sikkim | 21.8 | 49 |
| 27 | Tripura | 16.5 | 41 |
| 28 | Uttaranchal | 20.2 | 50 |
| 29 | A&N Islands | 19.1 | 23 |
| 30 | Chandigarh | 17.5 | 28 |
| 31 | D&N Haveli | 34.9 | 58 |
| 32 | Daman & Diu | 23.7 | 48 |
| 33 | Lakshadweep | 26.1 | 27 |
| 34 | Pondicherry | 17.8 | 23 |
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| ALL INDIA | | 25.8 | 68 |